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## CHRISTINE BERTHET Chair

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April 6, 2015

United States Postal Service Kathy Reed 340 W 42nd St #2 New York, NY

Re: USPS Trucks Blocking Pedestrian Crosswalk at the intersection of 41st Street and Ninth Avenue

Dear Ms. Reed

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) would like to bring to your attention a dangerous situation being created by Postal trucks from your facility. CB4 has received complaints from residents about trucks belonging to the United States Postal Service (USPS), blocking the southern, west-to-east pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of 41st Street and Ninth Avenue. This matter is especially urgent because of the proximity of this intersection to Manhattan Plaza a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community, whose residents are especially vulnerable to traffic related injuries. CB4 requests your immediate assistance in correcting this dangerous situation.

In addition to immediate remedy of the problem, CB4 requests the attendance of a representative from USPS at the CB4 Transportation Committee meeting on April 15, 2015 to discuss this issue and possible solutions. CB4 asks for your cooperation in resolving this matter and your assistance supporting safer streets in our community in accordance with the New York City Vision Zero initiative. With your help CB4 can improve this dangerous situation and create safer streets for the residents of our community. We urge you to correct this problem as soon as possible before someone is severely injured at this intersection.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

**Christine Berthet** 

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